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Expedited Procedure
Art Unit 1641

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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HORNAUER et al.

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Application No.: 09/184,043

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For: POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL-DERIVATIZED BIOMOLECULES AND THEIR USE IN HETEROGENEOUS DETECTION METHODS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: September 3, 2002

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the outstanding final Office Action dated May 31, 2002 for the above application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 14 as follows. A marked-up copy of the claim is included in the attachment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

(Three Times Amended) Method for the detection of an analyte in a

sample, comprising the steps: